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In response to your inquiry, I beg to say your publication is duly entered as second class matter at this office and regularly mailed.

Very respectfully,
J. H. HARRIS,
Postmaster.

The Rising Son is the only paper published by colored people in Kansas City, Mo., that is entered at the post office as second class mail.

Col. John T. Crisp of Jackson county, Kan., is gone.
With charity for all and malice for none, we hope he has rest. One thing we know there will be no vapors from him on these mundane shores and as far as he is concerned, Jim Crow and Negrophobia will have a little rest.

Let us look over the past and forget John T. Crisp of Jackson county, sub!

"One of my reasons for liking the Filipino as a soldier is the same that gives me a preference for the negro in the same capacity—in a fight I am not worried about his safety, as it doesn't make any difference whether he gets killed or not. There is nothing more to it. If a person owned a thoroughbred or full-blooded dog and also a cur, is it not natural that he would prefer to have the cur killed before the other?"

This statement is charged to General F. D. Baldwin, Commander of the Department of Colorado. We wonder if there can be a man in the U. S. A. rated as a gentleman and an officer, who can be so brutal in his instincts. If so, HELL itself cannot be too hot for him.

The Rising Son is devoted to the best interests of our race, a fearless advocate of right and fair play. There are those in high places who read and receive this paper and its benefits who think that printers' ink and labor are produced by wind and talk. Now, to all such we ask you again to pay us what you owe. Some of you have gained your notoriety through this paper. Come and see us with the money.

It has been told that one or two of our teachers have been quietly married. If this is so, we advise them to quietly resign. Deception or secrecy in matters of this kind is in violation of the Board of Education, and an imposition that the patrons of the school will not stand.

President Roosevelt's trip is a grand success in every particular. Immense crowds greet him everywhere, and he is most royally entertained and enthusiastically received wherever he finds time to stop. The President's speeches are full of fine sentiment and practical logic. The President is a practical man, and he doesn't believe much in theorizing. He is the kind of a man the American people like and admire, and even those opposed to him politically admire him for his excellent traits.

Legacy Has Grown.
A Wednesbury (England) resident in the sixteenth century left \$1,000 to provide annually on St. Thomas' day three gowns and three coats to indigent persons of the parish. Following the custom of the times the money was invested in land (in this case in minerals), and the original legacy has increased in value to \$30,000. Instead of the three gowns and the three coats the charity commissioners who administer the funds are able to present 200 gowns and sixty coats.

To the Public:

After much consideration with the best thinkers and leaders of the West, and in accordance with their opinions and desires, we have decided to hold annually at Western University, a Chautauqua Assembly, to discuss problems affecting the welfare of the race.

The purpose of the movement will be to assist in securing and promoting "The unity and uplift of the race." The Chautauqua will comprehend the following departments: Educational, Professional, Woman's Clubs, Business, Industrial and Agricultural. Successful farmers, mechanics, business men and women interested in club work, ministers, doctors, lawyers, teachers, musicians and men of all professions, in short all who are striving to rise and assist their fellows, are invited to be present.

Individuals successful in any walk of life are requested to be present and to participate in the discussions of the session. A synopsis of the program will be published later.

The first annual session will be held on the University grounds, Commencement week, May 25, 26 and 27, 1903.

It is desired that we may have the hearty co-operation and support of all people in this effort to secure the advancement of the cause of the Negro. For further information write

W. T. VERNON,
Chair, Executive Com.
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WATCHING THE BOARDS ACTION.

The Negro citizens are becoming alarmed at the silence on the part of the Board of Education with reference to the allowance which they have been promised out of the half million bonds voted last fall. The Negroes were promised a new high school and in addition thereto a new building was promised for the Attucks school, which is now being carried on in an old rambling-down store room on 18th street. It will be an outrageous proposition for the school board to fail to carry out its promise to the colored people this time.

A war has been declared upon these immoral leeches who are in the pulpit. Where there is a faint suspicion of immorality or vice emanating from men in high places it would be well to investigate and lay the blame where it properly belongs for the good of the whole.

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HOUSTON COULD ACT FRENCH.

How Famous Governor of Texas Received French Minister.

Representative Dudley Wooten was telling Gen. Sam Houston stories recently, says the Washington Post. He pointed out that France was the first nation to recognize the Texan republic. A Minister was sent to the capital, which was then Houston. The minister knew no English and President Houston could speak nothing but Cherokee and English. An interpreter was sent for. When he arrived the minister had his first audience with President Houston. The minister came in, bowing low and sweeping the floor with his chapeau. He made a dozen of these flourishes. President Houston watched him closely, and when it was time for him to respond he made ten or twelve of the most profound bows, each time sweeping the floor with his cocked hat. Then turning to the interpreter Houston said: "Tell the Frenchman that if I can't speak French I can act French."

ALMOST KNOCKED OUT TILLMAN.

South Carolina Senator Badly Staggered for a Moment.

Senator Tillman was once sent by the Democratic Congressional Committee out to Kentucky to orate for the ticket. The first speech he made there up to a certain point was a great success. He spoke of the necessity of electing incorruptible men to Congress, "such as the Democracy of this district has chosen to represent the people at Washington." Just at this moment some one in the crowd interrupted with: "Would Dr. Claherty sell out?" "What's that?" asked Tillman, somewhat riled at this break in his train of thoughts. "Would Dr. Claherty sell out?" repeated the questioner. "And who the blazes is Dr. Claherty?" asked Tillman. "He's the man you're asking us to vote for," came the prompt response. The Senator was stunned, and could only blurt out: "I never heard of him before."

The Progress of Japan.

There are in Japan twenty-eight natives of the country who have been students at the University of Pennsylvania and several of them have recently met in Tokyo and formed an alumni association. One of them writes: "The name is rather odd to you. We call it in Japanese 'The Same Window Society of the University of Pennsylvania.' That means we have once studied by the same window. Then we have no president of the society; we are too democratic maybe—too much Americanized, I fear. But the members are too few to need it. Only I serve the society as the secretary and treasurer and everything." He signs himself "Sada Sugura."

A WHITE HOUSE RECEPTION.

Indian Names Make Work for the Master of Ceremonies.

Chief Joseph, the famous Nez Perce warrior, and several members of his band who fought against Gen. Miles years ago, attired in gaudy blankets, adorned with feathers and streaked with war paint, were the center of attraction at a recent reception to the army and navy at the White House. One night, when the chief's name was called by Col. Bingham, the master of ceremonies, he grasped the hand of the great white father with a grip that made Mr. Roosevelt wince and said: "I am" in a basso that made everybody in the vicinity jump. Col. Bingham nearly dislocated his jaw in introducing Chief Joseph's followers. One of them is named Ahlokat and another answers to the name of Poyayontolaki. Col. Bingham made a brave attempt at introducing the latter, but the Indian evidently didn't recognize his name as Col. Bingham pronounced it, for he didn't make a move to grasp the President's hand until the interpreter poked him in the ribs.

ASTOR MAY ENTER POLITICS.

Rumor That Ex-American Seeks Election to Parliament.

A London correspondent learns "from authoritative sources that William Waldorf Astor is likely to be a parliamentary candidate for a London constituency at the next general election." He is said to have been approached more than once on this subject before, but has held back because he feared defeat. He was waited upon recently by an influential deputation and without giving definite promise said he would give the matter serious consideration. There is also strong probability that Neil Primrose, youngest son of the Earl of Rosebery, may be chosen member of Parliament for Midlothian, the constituency which was once represented by Gladstone. Mr. Primrose is said to have a winning personality.

Leather Lasts Only 15 Years.

A very striking instance of the deterioration of leather produced under conditions demanding quicker tanning by use of various chemicals, thus decreasing the durability of the material, is afforded by the fact that the British Museum expends \$20,000 a year in rebinding books in leather. Modern leather is widely different from the material produced by what is now regarded as an effete process, its life being limited to 15 years. In the search for cheaper and quicker processes of making leather, large quantities of sulphuric acid are used, and this chemical in combination with others, causes the material to decompose rapidly in the course of a few years.—Stray Stories.

And Once He Called Her "Angell!"

A Missouri editor whose wife is a strong woman suffragist has sprung the following on his readers: "Rock-a-bye, baby, your mamma is gone; she's at the caucus and will be there till dawn; she wore papa's trousers and in them looked queer; so hush-a-bye, baby, your papa is here. Rock-a-bye, baby your mamma's a terror, she's run three conventions declared for three fellows, she's great on the straddle, way up on a vote, so hush-a-bye, baby, your papa's the 'goat.' Rock-a-bye, baby, the dishes are clean, papa's done scrubbing and put on the beans; your mamma is late, seems always to lag, but heaven help pap if she comes home with a 'jag.'"

Cannot Use His Own Cars.

P. A. B. Widener, the Philadelphia traction magnate, controls thousands of miles of steel railroad in America, but he cannot ride in a trolley car without suffering from an exact imitation of seasickness. Once he made a desperate effort to overcome this weakness. Accompanied by W. L. Elkins, his partner, he went for a twelve-mile ride and stuck at it until the trip was ended. By that time he was in a state of complete collapse. He came back on the steam railroad and has not ventured on a trolley car since.

Owner of Dred Scot Dead.

Mrs. Irene Sanford Chaffee is dead at Springfield, Mass., aged 88. Mrs. Chaffee, who came of a leading Virginia family, once owned the famous slave Dred Scot. It was in a case involving his liberty that the United States supreme court decided that a negro, free or slave, had no rights before the law. Mrs. Chaffee, though not actually an abolitionist, was always in sympathy with the colored man. Her ownership of Scot was an accident and after the decision named had been rendered she freed the man.

For Seeing Under the Sea.

Signor Pino, an Italian engineer, has invented an apparatus called a hydroscope, which, he claims, enables a person to see the bed of the sea at a depth of 250 to 300 yards with a range of vision several thousand square yards. The inventor asserts that the apparatus is adapted to be used on ships and will enable the captain to see submerged rocks and reefs from the main deck. The value of the apparatus, if the claim is well based, can very readily be understood.

English Professor Coming Here.

An important event in the scientific world is the acceptance of a professorship in Columbia university by Prof. Joseph John Thomson, D. Sc., F. R. S., 1889, for the last eighteen years Cavendish professor of experimental physics at Cambridge university, England. His recent work in the investigation of atoms and molecules and their relation to electrical charges are fresh in the minds of the public.

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Municipal Bonds at par	327,441.14
Cash and Sight Exchange	4,180,685.39
	5,031,126.43
Total	\$11,042,944.79
LIABILITIES.	
Capital Stock	\$ 600,000.00
Surplus Fund	300,000.00
Undivided profits	78,771.60
Unearned interest	94,988.00
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